§ 604.415 Open meetings.

Every meeting and portion of a meeting of the Board shall be open to public observation unless the Board determines that such meeting or portion of a meeting will involve the discussion of matters which are within one or more of the exemptive provisions listed in §604.420 of this part, and that the public interest is not served by the discussion of such matters in an open meeting.

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§ 604.420 Exemptive provisions.

Except in a case where the Board determines that the public interest requires otherwise, a meeting or portion of a meeting may be closed to public observation where the Board determines that the meeting or portion of the meeting is likely to:

- (a) Disclose matters that are:
- (1) Specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interests of national defense or foreign policy, and
- (2) In fact properly classified pursuant to such Executive order;
- (b) Relate solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of the Farm Credit Administration;
- (c) Disclose matters specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 U.S.C. 552): *Provided,* That such statute:
- (1) Requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on the issue, or
- (2) Establishes particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (d) Disclose trade secrets and privileged or confidential commercial or financial information obtained from a person;
- (e) Involve accusing any person of a crime, or formally censuring any person;
- (f) Disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (g) Disclose investigator records compiled for law enforcement purposes, or information which if written would be contained in such records, but only

to the extent that the production of such records or information would:

- (1) Interfere with enforcement proceedings;
- (2) Deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication;
- (3) Constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (4) Disclose the identity of a confidential source and, in the case of a record compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, confidential information furnished only by the confidential source;
- (5) Disclose investigative techniques and procedures; or
- (6) Endanger the life or physical safety of law enforcement personnel;
- (h) Disclose information contained in or related to examination, supervision, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of the Farm Credit Administration;
- (i) Disclose information the premature disclosure of which would:
- (1) Significantly endanger the stability of any Farm Credit System institution, including banks, associations, service organizations, the Funding Corporation, the Farm Credit System Assistance Board, or the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation: or
- (2) Be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed action of the Farm Credit Administration: *Provided*, said Administration has not already disclosed to the public the content or nature of its proposed action, or is not required by law to make such disclosure on its own initiative prior to taking final action on such proposal; or
- (j) Specifically concern participation by the Farm Credit Administration in a civil action or proceeding otherwise involving a determination on the record before an opportunity for a hearing.

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§ 604.425 Announcement of meetings.

(a) The Board meets in the offices of the Farm Credit Administration,